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AT OTICE is bereby given that the Eighth Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant Company's Offices, Victoria Buildings, on to the provisions of Section 6 of THE TUESDAY, the 8th February, 1897, at 12 JURY COMBOLIDATION ORDINANCE No. 18

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will to OLOSED from FRIDAY, the 29th January to TUESDAY, the 9th Feb., 1897. (both days inclusive) during shigh Period no Transfer of Phares can be Registered. By Order of the Board of Directors. A. BHELTON HOOPER.

Secretary to the Hongkong Land Invettment and Agency Co. 18.1 Apents for the Kuwloon Land and Bollding Co., Ld.

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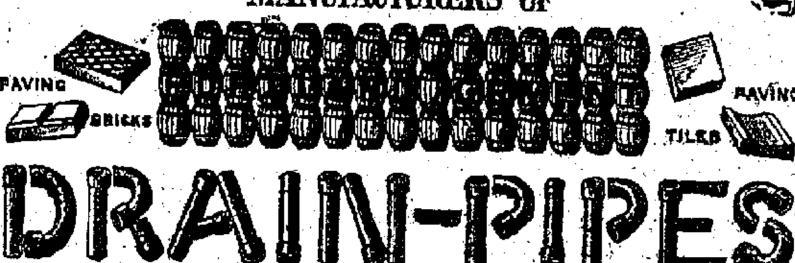
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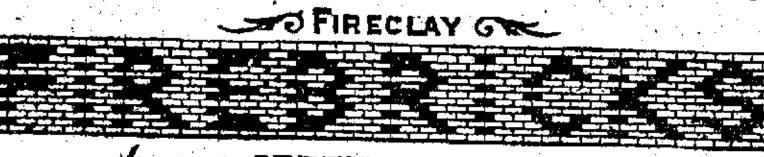
the 10th Instant, in order that any person may apply by notice in welling to me hequiring that his name or the name of some other person may be respectively wither added to or struck off from the said list upon cause to be duly stigued in such

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THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY. NOTICE is hereby given that the Interest of DAKIN, ORUICK. SHANK & Co., LIEUTED, in the BUSINESS heretofore carried on by them at The

VIOTORIA DISPENSARY Ceased and determined on the 14th Instant. · Outstanding Accounts of DAKIN, CRUICK-SHANK & Co., LIMITED, before the 14TH declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Instant will be Paid by the Undersigned, Meeting of Shareholders held This Day, who will also Collect and Receive all Accounts due to the said FIRM. The Business will be Carried on in the future under the Style of 'THE VICTORIA

DISPENSARY. For 'THE VICTORIA DIAPPNARY,'

J. R. CAPELL, Hongkong, January 30, 1897. THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-

MENT AND AGENOY COMPANY, LIMITED. TURING my ABSENCE and until further Notice Ms. MOWBRAY

STAFFORD NORTHCOTE has been appointed Acting Secretary. By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER. Hongkong, January 26, 1897.

Intimations. HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION. NTOTICE is hereby given that the Or- pany will be CLOSED from the 8th to the dinary Half-yearly MEETING of the 22ad February, both days inclusive.

SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation By order of the Board of Directors will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 13th day of February Name, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Account to 31st

December, 1896. By order of the Court of Directors. T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager. Hongkong, January 27, 1897. HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

8.50 DAY, the 30th January Current, to SATURDAY, the 18th day of February 8.00 Next, (both days inclusive), during which Period no Transfer of SHARLS can be HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COM-

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 27, 1897. THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

In the above Company will be held at the Organs of the Company, Pedder's Street, on FRIDAY, the 25th day of February, MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS 1897, at 12.29 of the Clock in the After-

in the Company will be held at the Com- noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to pany's Orrion, No. 8. Queen's Road Cen- Slat December, 1898, and the Report of tral, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 16th the General Managere, and to sleet a Consul-February, at Twelve o'clock Noon, for the Committee and Auditors. the purpose of receiving a Statement of The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-Accounts and the Report of the Directors pany will be OLOSED from the 18th to the together with a Statement of Accounts for House, a list of all Persons sageriained by for the year ending Blat December, 1898, The TRANSFER BOOKSof the Company will be OLOSED from the lat to loth By Order

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By Order of the Board of Directors, T. ARNOLD,

Hongkong, January 30, 1897. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK

COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Yearly MEETING of A SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Company, No. 14, Prays Central, on MONDAY, the 22nd February, 1897, at 12 c'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the Slat December, 1898, and of approving by resolution of the proposed purchase of HUNG-HAM Inland Lots Nos. 171 and 179 and of the proposed extensions to Kowloon Marine Lot No. 27 and to Hung-ham Marine Lot No. 1 on terms to be stated. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-

By order of the Board of Directors, THOS. I. ROSE,

Hongkong, February 1, 1897.

POSTPONEMENT THE DEVONIAN SOCIETY,

189 THE ANNUAL MEETING and DINNER of the above Society will be held at the Hongkong Crus, on TUESDAY, the 23rd February. Members of the Society desirous of ATOTICE is hereby given that the RE. attending the Dinner are requested to

> R. K. LEIGH, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, February 3, 1897.

PANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE Twenty-eighth Ordinary Annual L MEETING OF SHARRHOLDERS

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Hongkong, October 23, 1894. HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK. THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORA-

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colock (Noon), for the purpose of receiving of 1887, I have this day caused to be poss-the Report of the Board of Directors, ed, at the chief entrance to the Court the Twelve Months ending the Sist Dec., me to be liable to serve as Jurors. The names of Special Jurous are shown therein Idens, both days inclusives

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Hongkong, February 6, 1897.



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The Booking Office at the Theatre Royal will be open on and after WEDNESDAY, 10th February. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

E. W. MITCHELL, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, February 4, 1897.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE

OTICE is hereby given that on the 1 29th day of January, 1897, the CHINA EXPORT, IMPORT AND BANK COM-PAGNIE of Hongkong applied to His EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR under Ordin- TO-NIGHT! ances No. 16 of 1873 and 20 of 1895, for leave to register 14 TRADE MARKS in the

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application. H. L. DENNYS. Solicitor for the China Export. Import and Bank Compagnie. Hongkong, February 6, 1897.

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NYOTICE is hereby given that 9-pounder and MACHINE GUN PRACTICE will be carried out by the crew of H.M.S. Grafton in an East and South-Rast direction from the point below Kowloon East Battery from the 8th Instant to the 9th Instant between the hours of 9 a.m. and

All ships, junks and other vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the range. By Command, J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Hongkong, February 5, 1897,

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. No. 45.

TNFORMATION has been Received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. DAILY, as

From Stone-cutters' Island in Westerly, North-Westerly and South-Westerly directions. From Belchers' in Westerly and North-Westerly directions.

From Lyemun in Easterly, North-Easterly and South-Easterly directions. All Ships, Junks and other Vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the ranges. The inhabitants of the Houses near Belchers, and at Stone-cutters' Island, are warned to keep their glass windows open during the practice, and all people working in the vicinity of Belchers' Battery are also warned to keep clear of that part which will be indicated by gunners placed on sentry for the purpose.

By Command, J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary. COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.



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FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE, ITHE Company's S.S. Chelydra having arrived from the above Ports. Consigness of Cargo by her are hereby informed

that their Goods will be delivered from Cargo impeding the discharge or remain ing on board after 4 p.m. of the 9th Instant. will be landed at Consignous' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, February 6, 1897.

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Per Nanshan, from Singapore, 95 Chi-

Per Choysang, from Shanghai, Mr A. E.

Adams; from Swatow, Mr A. Ross, and 15

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General Managers. Hongkong, February 6, 1897.

SHIPPING. ARRIVALS.

February 5:-Chelydra, British steamer, 1,574, H Casa, Calcutta Jan. 20, and Singapore 30, General. - JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Macduff, British steamer, 1,881, W. S Thomson, Tacoma and Kobe January 31 Ballast.—Dodwell, Carlill & Co. February 6:-

Meefoo, Chinese str., from Canton. Phra Nang, British steamer, 1,021, W. H. Vatton, Bangkok Jan. 30, General.—Yuzu Nansham, British eteamer, 1,342, Stovell, Singapore Jan. 30, Coal.—Beadley & Co. Holhow, British str., 897, G. H. Pennefather, Swatow Feb. 5, General.—BUTTERiield & Swire. Choysang, British steamer, 1,194, G. H.

Bowker, Shanghai Jan. 31, General .-JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Albingia, German str., 1,193, H. Witt Saigon Feb. 1, Rice.-WIELER & Co. Torrisdale, British 4-masted barque 2,184, R. Buchanan, New York July 30 Keronine Oil.—STANDARD OIL Co. Nord. Norwegian steamer, 1,768, Bull,

DEPARTURES. February 6:-Glenartney, for Shanghal, Yuensang, for Manila. Hailoong, for Swatow. Hunan, for Centon 184 Java, für Suspensi

Shipping.

Daylight .- Haitan leaves for Coast Ports Noon.-Myrmidon leaves for London

Miscellaneous: Goods per Glenariney undelivered after

this date subject to rent.

Shipping. 10 a.m. - Kansu leaves for Shanghai. 10 a.m.-Hoihow leaves for Shanghai. 4 p.m.—Esmeralda leaves for Manila.

Transfer Books of The Hongkong and Whampon Dock Co., Ld., from this date to 22nd Feb., both days inclusive.

and Building Co., Ld., at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings. this date subject to rent. p.m. this date landed.

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THURSDAY, February 11:-

SATURDAY, February 13:-Noon.-Meeting of the Hongkong and City Hall. Transfer Books of The Hongkong Fire In-

Goods per Maria Rickmers undelivered after this date subject to rent. Monday, February 15:-Noon.-Meeting of Shareholders of the China Fire Insurance Company, Ld. at the Company's Office No. 3, Queen's Road Central.

Noon. - Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong and Whampon Dock Co.,

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Per Mathilde, for Hoihow, 40 Chinese. Per Rio, for Amoy, 120 Chinese. 30 days' sight Per Triumph, for Hollow, 12 Chinese. 4 months' sight, Per Haitan, for Swatow, 200 Chinese. Per Myrmidon, for Singapore, 1 Euro-On Paris— Per Hongkong, for Haiphong, Messra Les Roux, and Portal, and 30 Chinese. On demand. Credits, 4 months' sight,

Per Ask, for Pakhoi, Mr and Mrs. Thompson and family, and 100 Chinese. SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Chelydra reports: From Singapore to Paracels, fine; thence to port, strong monsoon, high sea and rain.
The British steamer Macdust reports: From Kobe to Van Diemen Straits, strong variable winds, and heavy rain equalls; and from there to port, very strong N E. monsoons, and high seas and continual rain.

The British steamer Phra Nang reports: Strong N.E. monsoon, N. of the Paracels. The British steamer Nanshan reports: Fine weather from date of departure, until lat. 18' N.; and long. 111' E.; then experienced strong N.N.E. wind, overcast, and high head sea. -The British steamer Choysang reports: Strong N.E'ly winds, and heavy rain,

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-For SINGAPORE .--

Per Myrmiden, at 9 s.m., on Sunday. the 7th February. For CANTON.— Per Fatshan, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 7th February.

For SHANGHAL .-Per Hoikow, at 9.30 a.m., on Monday, the 8th February. Per Kansu, at 9.30 a.m., on Monday, the 8th February. Per Maria Rickmers, at 4.30 p.m., on Monday, the 8th February.

Per Lycemoon, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 10th February. For MANILA .-Per Esmeralda, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday, the 8th February.

For BANGKOK --Per Chow Tai, at 9.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 9th February. Per Taichiow, at 9.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 10th February. For KUDAT & SANDAKAN.-

Per Deucalion, at 3.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 9th February. For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA Per Ancona, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 12th February. For SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, SAMA--- RANG & SOURABAYA.-Per Onsang, at 8.30 p.m., on Friday, the

Quotations.

12th February.

Hongkong, February 6, 1897. PIUM—New Patna, cash,... 7021 New Beneres, cash, 7034 New Malwa, credit, 760 Allowance, Taels 40/48 Old Malwa, credit,. 770 Allowance, Taels, ... 48/64 Persian, Oily, cash,. -Allowance, Taels,... --Persian, Paper tied 590/700 Allowance, Taels. ... 32/64

Hongkong Register.

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daughter of T. B. Glover, Nagasaki. At Robe, on the 22nd Jan., by the Rev. E. Champneys Irwine, M.A., Incumbent of Christ Church, Yokohama, WILLIAM Ross to Florence Eva, widow of the late Henry Steele. On the 25th Jan., at the Infectious Di-

seases Hospital, Aizawa, Yokohama, of small-pox, David Bouches, late Chief Engineer steamer Tayohashi Maru.

MARRIAGES.

At the British Consulate, Nagasaki, and

at the English Church, Deshima, on the

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The publication of this issue commenced st 6.55 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONOKONO, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1897.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL (SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER,) OUTWARD BOUND : - Jens-Meinich, Dec. 15th; Diomed, Adour, 18th; Tellies,

Kirkdale, Normaniste, 29th; Obi, Sikh, dia, 22nd; Agamemnon, Melbourne, Oolong, Dieke Rickmers, Normandie, 26th: drews, 29th; Aglaia, Ernest Simons, Cyrus, Dordogne, Glaucus, Feb. 2nd Ceylon, Kanagawa, 5th.

Homeward Bound:—Dorothea Rickmers. Dec. 12th: Manila, Mond. Oanfa 23rd; Gerda, Benvoirlich, Courie, 29th : Ernest Simons, Japan, 5th; Claverhill, 8th Jan.; 12th; Thekla, 19th; 22nd; Benledi, Radnorshire, Oceana, 29th; Yarra, Cassins, Feb. 2nd; Achilles, Hector, Kagoshima, bth.

The P. & O. s. s. Robilla, with the Eng-LISH MAIL of 8th January, left Singapore for this port on Tuesday, the 2nd Feb., at 4 p.m., and may be expected here about 6 a.m., on Monday, the 8th Feb. This Packet brings replies to

MAIL of the 7th Jan., left Yoko hama, on Sunday, the 31st Jan., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 8th Feb. The C. P. R. s. s. Empress of Japan left Vancouver B.C., for Hongkong via Yokohama, on Monday, the 1st Feb. The Imp. Ger. Mail s. s. Preussen, carry- him, as no harm can come of his Angloing the German Mails with dates from

expected here on or about Friday, the 12th Febl. The O. & O. s. s. Coptic, with the AMERI-CAN MAIL of 16th Jan., left Yoko daylight, and may be expected here

on or about Saturday, the 13th Feb. The P. M. s. s. City of Rio de Janeiro, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, Inland iSea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the

The O. & O. s. s. Gaelic, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via 1. Overture ... Mirella ... Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sca, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 2nd Feb.

Stehmers Expected. The N. P. S. Co. s. s. Brdemar arrived at Yokohama and left from that port for Hongkong on the 31st Jan. The N. P. K. chartered s. s. Strathtay,

here on the 7th Feb. The N. P. K. s. s. Hiroshima Maru sailed from Singapore for this port on the 1st Feb., and is expected to arrive here on the 8th Feb.

The N. P. K. B. B. Tokio Maru, Australian steamer, left Thursday Island for this port on the morning of Jan. 29th, and may be expected to arrive here on the 9th Feb.

The C. M. Co.'s str. Oclong, from Glasgov and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the at Singapore on or about the 13th Feb

about the 6th Feb. The P. & O. s. s. Hydaspes left Bombay case. for this port on the 31st Jan. The N. P. s. s. Tacoma left Tacoma on the The new Floating Fire Engine went out

Latest Advices. The s. s. Lightning, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the afternoon-

of Feb. 5 The P. & O. s. s. Bombay left Singapore for this port on the 5th Feb. at 3 p.m. The P. & O. s. s. Palatoan, from China, arrived at London on the afternoon of

UNION CHURCH.—SUNDAY, TEB. 7. a.m.:-Voluntary, 'Larghetto,' from Organ Sonata, Hesse: Hymn, No. 43 (St. Peter), Reinagle; Hymn, No. 342 (St. Constantine), Monk; Hymn, No. 55 (Manchester), Wamewright; Pualm, No. 31 (Double Chant) Ca midge: Anthem, Rejoice in the Lord, Elvey Voluntary, The

p.m.:- Voluntary, Andante, W. T. Best; Hynin, No. 213 (Old Hundredth) Genevan Psalter 1554 Hynn, No 197 (Intercession), Callcott; Hymn, 407 (Ewing), Ewing; Hymn, No. 286, Doane; Hymn, No. 489 (Eventide), Monk Voluntary, Nachapiel, Volch

10.30 a.m.:—Hymns, 257, 12, 250, 742. 6 p.m.:—Hymns, 611, 373, 143, 845; Psalm, XXXV-XXXVII

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CAPT. Eccles, of the Rifle Brigade, is winning golf prizes at Singapore.

In a football match between the Rifle Holme Ringer & Co.), to HANA, the only Brigade and the Singapore C. C., the Rifles won by 2 goals to 1.

We would remind our readers of the West Yorkshire band performance in the City Hall to-night.

Tun death-rate at Singapore for the week ended Jan. 23 was 42.57 per thousand. Forty-nine deaths, out of 169, resulted from fever.

On the 25th Jan., Inspectors of the Bangkok Opium Farm discovered on the Choufa 23 tins of opium concealed in a potato basket in the officers' mess room.

A carroo ball ' was given by the Bangkok Gymkhana Club on the 22nd January. Could not something of the sort be done in Hongkong before the dancing season closes?

We do not think it is generally known that Mr D. H. Mahan, the first lieutenant of the U.S. cruiser Machias on this station, is a brother of Captain Mahan, the cele-Jan. 5th; Benvenue, Templar, 8th; brated naval writer and historian. Captain Dardanus, Irene, 19th; Ixion, Ayr, Can- Mahan has retired from active service and is now engaged on a life of Nelson which is Bayern, Melpomene, Keelong, St. An- sure to be as acceptable to naval and other readers as his magnum opis, 'The Influence of Sea Power.'

A CRICKET match was played to-day between the Club and a team representing Jan. the Football Club. The Club were easy winners with a score of 200, against 112 for the Football Club. For the Club P. A. Cox scored 64; T. Sercombe Smith, 45; and Surgeon Pead, R.N., 24, The best scores for the Football Club were :- T. N. Howard, 34; A. G. Ward, 31; and F. W. Christian, 14.

> In the appointment of a British subaltern as Conservator of the Museum at Bangkok, Le Courrier d'Haiphong sees the cloven hoof of British ascendancy in Siam ! The perfervid editor of this bellicose Tonkinese contemporary, we are afraid, has discovered that interesting object of natural history known to the vulgarian as 'a mare's nest;' but it is useless to attempt 'to argify' with phobian hyper-jealousy.

> THE band of the West Yorkshire Regiment plays the following programme at the Officers' Mess to-morrow, commencing at 1.—March Religiense Gounod.
> 2.—Invitation a la Valse Weber.
> 3.—Romanza ... Alla Stella Confidente Robaudi.
> 4.—Sciection ... Mefistofele Boito.

On Monday night, when Admiral Buller dines with the Officers at Murray Barracks, the band will play the following pro-.-Arabian Dance

.—Arabian Bance L—Selection ... H.M.S. Pinatore L—Valsa Over the Wayes 6.—Selection ... The Flying 1 intchman ... Wagner.
God save the Queen.
Wm. Geo. Bentley, A.R.C.M., Bandmaster

Ar the Supreme Court, in Summary Juris. diction, to-day, before Mr Justice S. Smith. Lau Sui Tong, a cook, claimed \$10 as one of Feb. 2, and is expected to arrive months' wages due by Mr D. MacRae. augar boiler, at the China Sugar Refinery. The plaintiff stated he had been in Mr. MacRae's employment from 16th to 27th January, at which date he was wrongfully dismissed by his mistress. Mrs MacRae denied that she dismissed the plaintiff. On the 23rd January she had reason to complain to the defendant about his work, and he burst out in a temper and wrote on a piece of paper demanding his money on the 31st January. On the 26th he left without giving notice, and she only learned next morning from the coolie that he had gone away. She had had frequently to check him for using bad language in the cook-house. His Lordship dismissed the

> powerful engines for extinguishing fires that is affect at the present day, and is specially adapted for moving quickly through the harbour and (pouring large quantities of water on any conflagration either on board ship or on shore. The boat is 60 ft. long, 12 ft. beam, and 7 ft. deep, fitted with a powerful driving engine, capable of maintaining a speed of 9knots perhour quiteessily. The pumps are of Shand and Mason's special triple design, and are capable of throwing air jets of water to a height of 120 ft. vertically. The boiler is also of special design for raising steam quickly and has been tested to raise 100 lbs. of steam from cold water in ten minutes. This latest addition to the Fire Brigade has been designed and constructed under the supervision of Mr. J. W. Kinghorn, of the firm of Kinghorn and Macdonald, and her smart

to-day for the first time to try the ma-

chinery and pumps. This is one of the most

business-like appearance is a credit to all those converned. VESERIS AT THE DOCKS:- At KOLOGO Lekin, Empress of India, Althore, Cosmo. polit, Independent, Zafiro, Coloma, Anion. Tamarind.

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

26th Jan., by the Rt. Rev. Bisliop Eving-

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Miscellaneous.

General Memoranda. Coesday, February 9 :--Noon .- Meeting of The Kowloon Land Goods per Kriemhild undelivered after Goods per Chelydra undelivered after 4

date subject to rent.

Shanghai Banking Corporation, at the surance Co., Ld., from this date to 26th February, both days inclusive.

9 p.m.—A. D. C. Performance of 'Les Cloches de Corneville' at City Hall. MONDAY, February 22 :--

Ld., at the Company's Office.

Documentary, 4 months' sights, ... 2/17 On Berlin-Demand,.... On New York-On demand, ... Credits, 60 days' sight,... On Bombay-

On Calcutta-On demand. On Shanghai-On demand. 30 days' sight, (private paper) ... Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per fael)... \$48.50 Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) \$ 9.30 Silver (per oz.)

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letters despatched from Hongkong on 3rd December. The P. M. s. s. Peru, with the AMERICAN

Berlin of the 11th Jan., left Colombo on the 1st Feb., and may be hama on Friday, the 5th Feb., at

23rd Jan.

left Kobe for this port on the afternoon

The Austrian Lloyd's s. s. Medusa left Kobe for this port on the morning of

26th Jan., and may be considered due The C. M. Co.'s str. Ningeliow, from Li verpool and Newport, passed the Canal on the 19th Jan., and may be considered due at Singapore on or

30th Jan. for this port via Japan.

the 5th Feb.

Heavens are telling (Creation)

Webleyan Methodist Church (Wanchai)

THE Health and Vigour of an individual de-pend upon the quantity and quality of the Blood. When the tissues have been at work, there are

DEAR OLD BLOBS.

l've repeated u'er and o'er, Since I landed on this shore. That I really think 'tis matter for regret That big guns should daily roar As salutes are fired galore, But I never thought twould Blobs's nerves

Yet 'tis clear as noonday sun, When our summer's well begun. (For Old Sol just now is hiding in a pet), That Dear Blobs has got 'em badly, Yes, from nerves he suffers sadly, And I really think 'tis matter for regret.

No! 'tis not that I am encering At the screed this morn appearing-Though irreverence would not be out of

These lines are but appearing Just to hint that we are nearing Quite a climax in poor Blobs's earthly race Yes I poetic fire is dying

For we find him now relying On a sketchy, scrappy style devoid of grace Which quite proves the muse is flying From that lone isle where he's lying-And that Blobs is fast becoming 'a bad

WEATHER NOTICE. The following notice is issued from the Observatory :--

On the 6th at 11.25 a.m. Pressure remains high over Mid China with increase on the coast. The high pressure now embraces W. Japan, but the low area still lies over E. Japan. Gradients rather steep in the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast:—iresh N. to N. E. winds; dull, some drizzling rain.

COLLISION IN CHEMULPO HARBOR. THE *ECHICO-MARU IMPALED BY THE

" NARCISSUS." Nagasaki, Jan. 30. A telegram received at the local office of the N. Y. K. states that the Echigo-muru collided with a British man-of-war in Chemulpo Harbor on Tuesday last. The definite particulars are not yet to hand, but they are expected by the Sendai Maru that is due here to-day from the Korean port. We learn however that, when entering the harbor, the Echiqo-maru managed to get athwart the ram of the Narcissus ness of the meeting. Dividend warrants -the only British man-of-war in port and tore a hole in her hull below the water-line amidships, 13 feet by 10 feet in extent. She was rushed ashore and beached near by to save her from sinking. Her engine room was full of water and her fires out when she in the light dues at Hongkong:was beached. The Echigo-maru was nut on a special run from Chemulpo to local Chamber of Commerce to watch very Kobe and was to have carried the Korean | vigilantly the course of a controversy now minister who was coming to attend the going on at Hongkong respecting the imfuneral of the Empress Dowager. We understand that a salvage party will be des- Hongkong Government, driven from their natched hence to repair the injured steam- intention to continue the imposition of the ship. They will leave to-morrow or Mon- Gap Rock light dues after the abolition day by the Higo-maru. There are prac- of the lighthouse, have determined to

W. Robinson & Co., Piano and Musical Instrument specialists and experts. Workshops and Factory, Duddell St.; Show stitution. Such a policy is, of course, to be Rooms, Queen's Road Central.

Tun Yorodzu Choho reports that on the be made. The shipping firms in Hongkong 28th Dec. the Takashima coal-mine caught | have addressed an able joint remonstrance fire. Despite the efforts of firemen, the to the Governor, which is simply exushing flames could not be subdued and they were in the force of its logical appeal to facts. obliged to flood the mine from the sea. principle, and history. It convicts the This was done on the 4th Jan., when the Governor of a violation of Sir Henry Potfire was extinguished. They now find they | tinger's proclamation of 16th Feb., 1842. are unable to stop the influx of water. This which explicitly sets forth, in a solemn is certainly a case of being between the declaration, the absolute freedom of the devil and the doop sea.

THE manager of the Trade Marks Defence Union calls the attention of British trade harbour buoys. Any surplus on this mark owners to the fact that, although the account used by a Government for getreaty entered into between this country and Japan for the protection of British trade marks does not come into force for port was founded. The petition of the three years hence, yet, as a commercial treaty between Japan and Germany has at all in showing that in these days of low tions which took place at Berlin on Nov. In reference to this the Foreign Office have of a port tax on tonnage, the ship simply claim at once from the Japanese Govern- dental expenditure that touching there never really amounted to much for killing ment the treatment of the most-favoured- would yield. Now the point is this; that nation for British patents, trade marks. &c. - Overland Mail.

CLARKE'S WORLD-YAMED BLOOD MIXTURE .-The most searching Blood Cleanser that science and medical skill have brought to light.' Suf. | which the Imperial Contribution is passed. ferers from Scrofule, Scorvy, Eczema, Bad Legs. That danger was at once apprehended when Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, and Cores of I this matter was discussed at a meeting of any kind are solicited to give it a trial to test its I the Straits Association Committee. When value. Thousands of wonderful cures have been I one member, referring to the 174 per cent. effected by it. Sold everywhere at 2s. 9d. per of revenue, asked What is revenue? in bottle. Hewere of worthless imitations and sub- order to warn his colleagues that the

BAHOR Sharkey (es he fells before Fitz-I've met with many a breeze before. But never such a blow.-Hood. Fitzeimmons (exultingly, and with awo

I've met with many a bruize before.

But never felt so blown. We were seated in a hammock On a beimy night in June. When the world was hushed in slumber Nesth the guardiance of the moon Lhad saled one little duestion. And my heart was filed with hon

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS. [SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.']

London, Feb. 4.. THE WOMEN'S FRANCHISE BILL. The Women's Franchise Bill has passed its second reading in the House of Commons by 228 to 157.

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE TRANSVAAL.

President Kruger greatly resents Mr Chamberlain's coupling the grievances of the Uitlanders with Jameson's raid for enquiry by the Committee.

REFORMS FOR CUBA. Spain has decreed extensive reforms for

BYE ELECTION. A Radical candidate has been elected for the Walthamstow Division (Essex) in place of Mr Byene, Q.C., who has been appoint-[At the last election the figures were :-E. W. Byrne, Q.C. (Conservative), 6876 Arthur J. H. Pollen (Liberal), 4523 .- Ev.,

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY. The sixth annual general meeting of the Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd., was held to-day, in the offices of the General Managers (Messrs Jardine, Matheson and Co.). Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving presided. The other gentlemen present were:—Messrs W. Parlane (Manager); D. K. Sliman, T. Arnold, J. S. Van Buren, E. Georg, J. H. Lewis, K. M.K Ross, R. H. Burder, Ho Tung, Ho Fook, Lo Cheung Shiu, and Ho U Mr Sliman read the notice convening the

The Chairman said-Gontlemen, I propose referring only briefly to the Report now in your hands, which is the most satisfactory one issued since the Company was formed. The receipts show a considerable increase over the provious year, and as there is also some reduction in the ratio of Working Exponses to Revenue, the net profits amount to \$55,044.85 as against \$47,754.66 in 1895, a result which, think, must be gratifying to Share-

holders. The necessity for the large addition to the plant was mentioned in the Report of last year, and owing to the severe strain upon the works to supply the increased demand during last summer, it became necessary to hurry forward the alterations earlier than was contemplated a year ago, and orders have been placed in England for a large modern machine which will arrive towards the end of the present year, and which will replace one of the old machines. As stated in the Report, the cost of the new Plant when erected. inclusive of the necessary alterations to the

works, will amount to between: \$50,000 and

\$55,000, and this expenditure will in all probability be the only heavy outlay required for several years to come. The dividend recommended of \$5 per share, making with the interim Dividend paid 28 per cent, for the year, will, I trust, be considered sufficient by Shareholders, and that the proposed appropriation of \$20,000 from the profits to be written off Property Account will meet with approval. The plant replaced will realize only a small sum, and while this fact alone necessitates writing down Property Account, a liberal provision for depreciation will strengthen the position of the Company against any possible competition. Before moving the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleas-

Mr Lowis seconded. Mr Ho Tung proposed that Mr Thos. Arnold be re-elected auditor. Mr Lo Cheung Shiu seconded.

ed to answer any questions.

The Chairman-That concludes the busi-| will be sent out on Monday.

HONGKONG LIGHT DUES. A SINGAPORE OPINION. The Singapore Free Press of the 29th January thus discusses the proposed change We would invite the Committee of our position of enhanced light dues. The at present existing in Korea. -Shipping by the increase of the general light dues on shipping from 1 cent per ton to 21 cents per ton. This is an undoubted blowat the free port basis on which Hongkong, (like Singapore) stands by its primary con-- met by the full strength of the community. no matter how insidiously the attempt may port. Light-dues are to be no source of revenue. They are simply charges sufficient to cover, and no more, the

expense of maintenance of lights and neral purposes would be an illicit breach of the constitutional basis on which the free shipping firms at Hongkong has no difficulty come into force by the exchange of ratifica- freights and of large ships of good coal W. Robinson & Co., Piano and Musical capacity the compulsion to call at any part | Instrument specialists and experts. Work-18, Great Britain is entitled to equal privitions bus vanished utterly. If only a small quant shops and Factory, Duddell St.; Show pursue a disagreeable subject. leges under the most-favoured-nation clause. tity of eargo may be picked up at the cost Rooms, Queen's Road Central. intimated that her Majesty's Minister at gives the port the go-by, and thus the trade Tomay : Ps, the Chinese invented gun-Tokio has been instructed by telegraph to of the port loses the advantage of the incithere exists a temptation to local Governments in the Eastern Crown Colonies to swell local revenues by the imposition of taxation in order increase the basis of assessment on arrangement might be turned into a lever for the increase of general taxation. Now that very danger has appeared in Hong.

kong. General revenues are sought to be Mr. Outendalash? Well, optimists, as expanded by what is declared to be a suicidal charge on shipping. No wonder n rule, will take their wives to the theatre that the shipping interest demand that their views on the question be put before the Secretary of State and all Home Chambors of Commerce. Hongkong's cause in systems are built up, and from which we derive ours. The freedom of our ports is the very | our mental as well as our physical capabilities. palledium of our commercial life.

[Tho only mistake about the above is the essumption that the Gap Rook lighthouse is abolished. The proposal of the Hong. kong Government is to concede the aboli- value. Thousands of wonderful curse have been intellectual about a steel map. A steel tion of the Gap Rook special dues and to affected by it. Rold second-res at 28 98 per trap is called smart, explained Anbury Pape make the light dress a parmenent charge of lightle flewers of worthless initations and sub- pers, in his sweetest value, becouse i M DE HALL-MAL C. M.

'FRAGRANT WATERS' MURMUR That your readers may perhaps look for some remarks on the all-absorbing Carew poisoning case:

That until we receive the Judge's summingup I do not feel disposed to say anything as to the part played by the leading characters in this modern tragedy in real

That the principal character in the case has been sentenced to death, and reprieved, and her life has been blighted perhaps as much as that of her victim. That I note your special telegram to the effect that the Governess (who was

charged with murdor) has been released, and I also note that Mr Lowder has had the 'good word' said to him by the That I do not suppose the real 'inwardness' of this sad and mysterious crime will ever be made public, as it seems to

phere of mystery and intrigue. . . That one lesson stands out in the proceedings, viz., that it is dangerous for young unntarried men to become confidantes of married women, however sad the circumstances of the married woman

be surrounded with too dense an atmos-

may appear to be. That the good old fashion of honest and straightforward dealing is the best, after all is said and done; and I fancy the inquiry which has been going on for the last three or four weeks in Yokohama will perhaps emphasize this old saw more than a year's sermoniame would do That I hear the Bombay people have secured the loan of Dr Lowson's services for-their time of trial in that great city. That Dr Lowson has probably seen more of the actual treatment of plague cases

than any man living. That in the exceptional circumstances which existed in Hougkong during the Plague epidemic of 1894, Dr Lowson was practically the medical dictator of the Colony. and the experience which he gained then was perhaps unprecedented. That, as Dr Lowson is possessed of an energy which defies fatigue, hard work or personal danger, he is just the man

go to Bombay. That his paper on the Plague, sent to the medical work, considering that it was written in the midst of the struggle

have wrecked a weaker man. That from what I hear of the notions of Indian doctors. Dr Jim Lowson will have very much off the rails.

Dr Lowson to Bombay. perience gained here in Hongkong should be-passed on to India. would do well to see that the medical

point of efficiency. that a cheese-paring policy in this con-That it is now an open secret the Colonial Surgeon (Dr Ayres), who has sounded his

notes of warning for the last quarter of a century, will soon retire to the rest which he has so well carned. That something should be done now. strengthen the hands of the Medical Department, as in the event of any

all concerned upon them, their collect upon you the oftener you see him. tion, and the results shown thereby. That, all the same, although I believe last

That, in the absence of the Taipingshan houses, and in face of the crusade against overcrowding, how is it the Chinese population can be some 19,000 over the figures given for 1891. That good authorities tell me the figures of

1891 must have been grossly maccurate, if we take the numbers of the houses and the dangerous overcrowding that then existed. That, in spite of the exodus during the Placue years, the approximately correct

returns of 1897 are still looked upon as That the Race Meeting is now drawing near, and the interest felt therein existence.

vented the enthusiastic owners and trainers from pacing the paddock and facing the mist and the rain. That I hear good, honest racing may be less. safely expected. That His Excellency, who all through has

interested himself in Hongkong sports. has very liberally presented the 'Robin. son Challenge Cup' to be run for by Subscription Griffins. That the conditions on which the race, or

races, have to be won are, perhaps, slightly onerous, viz., to be won twice the same owner. That it falls to the lot of few owners

to draw, within a period little short of a life-time, two subs. fit to win a mile and a half race (with penalties | for winners), and His Excellency's cup. like the Frenchman's one solitary woodcock which he fired at for many seasons but never hit, will probably afford amusement to Hongkong sports for many; many years to come. BROWNIE.

powder, didn't they ? Mr. F.: Yes; but it

For the past quarter of a century there has been one continuous flow of letters bearing Clarke's World-famed Blood Mixture, the capital to yen 5,000,000. finest Blood Purifier that science and medical skill have brought to light. Sufferers from Scrofula, Sourvy, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples and Sores of any kind, are solicited to give it a trial to test its value. Sold everywhere, at 2s. 9d. per bottle. Beware it cleanees and clears the blood from all imof worthless imitations and substitutes.

Yns, optimists look more chaerful; but, as oustomers, I prefer pessimists. Why, instead of paying their tailor bills.

If the blood in discused the body is discussed. Sufferers from Secotula, Scarvy, Ecsema, Bad . WHY do they say " as smart as a steel Logs, Ekin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, and Bores of any kind are solicited to give Clarke's world-famed Blood Mixture a trial to test its never could see anything porticularly

SPORTING GOSSIP. ' Equo ne credite Teucri'-Greek. When Greek meets Greek then comes the tug o' war !'-Old Saw.

Hongkong, February 6. 'Don't back hosses,' is as good advice now as it was in days of yore. The Spartans came to grief through it, and many others have since—and so it will continue until of the China Mail, but we give a summary the end of the world! A little pencilling of the major part and the concluding is being done at 'the rails' and elsewhere. The 'bookies' have laid against most, if

The owners of improving poxies have been 'hand their hands' when their G. G. is supposed to be 'the clipper that stands in | person is accused of poisoning the deceased, the stall at the top, and not risk too many it is necessary' said Mr Lowder, 'for the merry Mexicans on their Mongolian must prosecution to make out affirmatively betangs—at best undertried, ill-tended, under | youd doubt that the death is attrior over-trained, and subject to 'spasms' but have 'a little on' ('only a feeble flut- them; and that the accused person ad ter')-pace the old Sport that invented the phrase-just to keep up an interest in the murder. Otherwise the prosecution fails.

against the Plague epidemic which might know exactly how to treat him, judging l always galloped with this old sport up. Among the many 'Aspirants' to Darby to put them right on many points in honours, the general opinion is that there ministered in successive and increasing which they are, to my way of thinking, is only one Aspirant (Gallic pronunciation, doses.' please) that can bear away the palm. Given That I am glad to find the idea has at last a flying course, when galloping and not grand pony does not like mud; and staff in the Colony is kept up to a proper | also showed signs of distress at the finish,

catch the judge's eye first. galops, and the best time done was by White Rose, outside the "dolls,' in 3.6; next | Suaviter (late Winkypov) in 3.10. Sinful took 3.15 to negotiate the same tance, but he was kept fair on the outside of the course, as were others, and the time trouble it will be shown to be miserably | test in such cases is very misleading, Polo galloped in very good form, and finished That I note your Census returns, as pub gamely. Black Eagle seems to be an im-

month's returns are perhaps the most sent out to school Red Fish from the same the Fowler's Solution, but that the order correct yet given, the figures are sugges. stable. Landsturm gave an ugly display of recalled it to her mind. But she only sent son, as to charge his to her. With regard to the Final Appeal to the figures are sugges. Derby are Aspirant, Crabapple, and Glen-

> The new stables are a great advance in the right direction, but it is rather a pity that a architectural beauty; a tower and clock, over the middle of the row of buildings, would have been both useful and orna-

beginning to show some signs of its the mud, but that does not count for much; lings, and you have had an opportunity of also that Comet must be reckoned with by judging of his partiality.' tically no facilities for executing such work make up for that loss of general revenue That the dull, cold weather has not pre- the best of mokes—if his off hind fetlock will stand a hard galop on a hard course 'The Worm' will squirm. Comet is the best of the dotty 'uns referred to neverthe-

I'll bit ye twinty pounds. And I'll lay it down this minit— But ten-to-wan, save I. The forminst harse will win it ! THE WORM

Prisoner—Your honor, he asked me what | no one could have found fault with her. by subscription griffing the property of I thought Congress would do with the The signing of the name of Mr. Price, who Dingley bill. Judge—Discharged.

> cleanse the blood from all impurities from what- Mr Lowder pointed out that Mrs Carew ever cause arising. For Scrofula, Sourvy, had made a poor attempt to disguise her Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, handwriting which he took as evidence that Pimples, and Sores of all kinds, its effects are she was not in the habit of imitating the marvellous. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Sold everywhere at 2s. 9d. Beware of worthless imitations.

SATISFIED. - Rankin-I hearthat you called me a liar. Danby-Yes, I did, and I'll prove that you are one. Rankin-Oh. never mind. I make it a rule never to

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money market, we learn (says the Nagasaki Shipping List) that the Toyo Kisen Kaisha postpone the proposed extension of its testimony to the truly wonderful cures effected operations to Mexico, and to reduce its

IMPURITIES IN THE BLOOD. We have seen

hosts of letters from people who have received

great benefit from the use of Clarke's Blood

Mixture. It cannot be too highly estimated, for purities. This is a good testimonial from the Family Doctor, which goes on further to gay: It is the finest Blood Purifier that science and skill have brought to light, and we can with the utmost confidence recommend it to pur enhandbers and the public generally. For Scrofula, Sourvy, Eozema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases. Pimples and Scree of all kinds, its effects are marvellous. Thomsands of wonderful The Blood is the course from which our course have been effected by it. Clarke's Blood Mixture is sold everywhere, at 2s. 9d. per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes.

trap" I asked the talketive boarder. RUCHE BREATH FEE MENT FING TO BUTT HIS

THE YOKOHAMA POISONING CASE. SUMMARY OF MR LOWDER'S

SPEECH. -It is impossible, owing to the limitations of space at our disposal, to lay before our readers the full text of Mr J. F. Lowder's | Carew would have done anything so abso- | Crown Advocate has been able to trace in opening speech in defence of Mrs Carew, which would occupy over twenty columns

At the outset he spoke of the difficulties not all, of the entrants for 'The Derby '- of the jury in freeing their minds from preon a graduated scale-determined, so far, | judice on account of their peculiar environ. | to ask is, why should she wish to do any | poses. Think, gentlemen, in your own chiefly according to the tael price of the ment and the attention that had been animal, or the fancy of its owner, rather | devoted locally to the sensational incidents than, as it should be, upon the merits of | in the case. He quoted from English and the 'mokes'-as yet an unknown quantity | American writers on the definition of ' reasonable doubt' and 'the burden of proof,' and proceeded to discuss whether the late Mr Carewactually died from poisoning, Like H. F. (pardon, Tobasco) sauce to arsenical or otherwise, and whether it was the oyster-it is nice to have 'a little on.' wilfully administered by himself or another person 'with intent to murder.' 'When wise in taking 'short odds'-when they ever poisons, in more forms than one, are could get them-but wiser still if they found post-mortem (and in this case according to Dr Divers there were three), and a

passages of the speech.

ministered that one or more with intent to Ho next referred to the Fowler's Solution and other medicines that had been The 'Dryasdust' string put in its first | purchased by Mrs Carew (and by Miss appearance on the course this week. 'There Jacob for Mrs Carew) from the various are no flies' about Sinhad, and he will chemists whose names have been repeatedmake a big bid for the 'Roc's eggs' when- ly referred to in the evidence, saying: 'I ever he is started. Provest Marshall has shall also preve by unimpeachable medical proved that he can race round a circus ring | testimony that in view of the detection of like the Amoy Course, but soft going, and both arsenic and lead, in the post mortem, it a long straight, may break his heart. is impossible to say that death may not have Shiney has developed into a sprinter—and been caused by both, or either of those poia rogue at that-judging from his running | sons ; the lead, perhaps, reinforcing what at the Shanghai and Amoy Meetings. Given | without it, might have been merely injura good start and a rider that will hold him lious, but not fatal. Nay further, the medical Vienna Conference, was a marvel of together, without pulling him, he might practitioners whom I shall call will tell you manage to 'shoot' his bolt successfully in a | that three kinds of poison having been exthree-quarter mile race. 'Pip' would hibited, viz., white arsenic, Fowler's Solution, and sugar of lead, it is impossible, on from the kindly way in which Primrose any conceivable theory consistent with the symptoms, to give an opinion that death was due to Fowler's Solution alone, ad-

Having alluded to historical cases arsenic cating, he stated that Mr Carew been acted upon, of sending a man like mud-larking is wanted, public opinion will had been in the habit of taking large doses probably be found correct, but it was quite of Fewler's Solution, commencing as far That I suggested some time ago the ex- evident in his galop this morning that this back as 1880, and added 'When Mrs Carew was asked by him to procure arsenic there he visibly tired in the last quarter was absolutely no reason why she should That, all the same, the Government here of the 11 mile course covered in 3.12. be surprised. But the medical gentlemen Crabapple, the next in public estimation, whom I shall call will also tell you that if a man had at one time accustomed himself to and if the condition of the Course is as bad | the use of excessive doses of arsenic and on race days as it was this morning some after an interval should again begin where nection shows up badly when any trouble mud-pounder or dicky-legged crock may he left off this might be exceedingly dan-Most of the cracks were sent for 11 mile in the case of the deceased. His Lordship will tell you that it is no part of the duty of the Counsel for the defence to account for the death of the deceased. My only duty is to defend my client against the charge brought against her. Her husband requested Mrs Carew to procure the Fowler's Solution for him on the 20th October last; she refused, but as he repeated his wish on the following morning, lished, and should perhaps congratulate proving pony, and the liking for him grows she sent to Maruya's for it, although she had denied this until confronted with her written order. Mr Lowder said that at Fincapple is going very well, and was again first she had no recollection of sending for temper, and will be a risky beast to back. for it to please or humour her husband. At present, the three favourites for the Her Counsel maintained that if she had procured the assenic for the purpose of dubh. The latter has been backed for a poisoning her husband she would have place, one, two or three, and is fancied by adopted more stealthy means to obtain it. There was a total absence of concealment

in the purchase of the arsonic. CONDEMNATION OF CORONER HALL. Mr Lowder read the whole of Mr Hall little more thought had not been given to summing up to the jury at the Coroner's inquest, and, commenting upon it, said Gentlemen, it was well for the prisoner that the Coroner had not the power to pronounce sentence; for that is about poet asks:the only thing-he left undone in his It is reported that Aspirant's stable com- address to the jury. He has been before nanion can 'see him and go one better' in you during the course of the proceed-

THE LETTER TO SIR PENEST SATOW. 'The summing up was, I submit, in itself sufficient, apart from the distress she was in by reason of the death of her husband. to drive her distracted; and it was in a fit of distraction that she wrote the letter. bears date the 6th November, which was the day on which the Coroner summed up, and was written whilst she smarting under a sense of the injustice that had been done to her, and it is not surprising that she should apply to her Minister for redress. Junge-Why did you strike this man? Had she signed her own name to the letter. was a great friend of hers, cannot of course be defended; but it does not form the 'For the Blood is the Live.'-Clarke's | smallest particle of a link in the evidence World-famed Blood Mixture is warranted to of her being guilty of the crime of murder. writing of other people.

THE PRISONER'S DEMEANOUR. The jury visited the Carew residence at the request of Mr Lowder, and the Court resumed on the morning of the 25th Jan. language of the Dickinson letters was his you have listened to me. I have, owing to The Japan Mail, in describing the scene in not Mrs Carew's; and Counsel propounded your forbearance, had the opportunity of Court, says :- There was a very distinct the question-Why should she wish to putting before you what I had to say more falling off in the attendance of the general marry Dickinson? 'He was simply one of concisely than I otherwise could have

toffel who conceived the idea of collection and stitching together the letters from the wastepaper basket. These two he said. character and to throw auspicion upon har as being the murderess of her husband.

his opinion that the 'Annie Luke' letters | his defence of Madelene Smith. I say he will were written by Mrs Carew. Her Counsel | be a bold man who will fathom the depths of maintained that the language and senti- human depravity; but this at least experiments of the letters were not such as Mrs | ence teaches us, that perfection, even in de-Carew would use, and, in a few sentences, pravity, is not rapidly attained,-he was dismissed the point, simply asking the jury | evidently thinking of the Latin proverb, to apply the test of their own commonsense Nemo repense finit turpis simus, and it is and to say on what possible theory Mrs. not by such short and easy stages as the lutely idiotic and meaningless as to have the career of Edith Carew that an affec-

ter length, as it was obvious that they had human experience. From the tone of the been introduced to show that there existed letters, there should be a sudden transition in the mind of the accused a motive for from affection for a particular object to the

getting rid of her husband. He said :-such thing? No woman, with an inclina- | minds, how foul and unnatural a murder it tion, perhaps I had better use the word is that is imputed to the prisoner, -the propensity—to gratify her vanity by cap- murder of one whom she married against tivating the senses of the opposite sex, ever the wishes of her parents, and who was the had such great opportunities as were allow- only man whom she had ever really loved ed to her, -ever had so complaisant a hus- or cared for. And the object of that band. Mr Dickinson has already given affection, you are asked to believe, she evidence pointing in that direction; and it suddenly conceived the purpose of murderwill be confirmed by Mr Porch. There ing. Such is the theory you are desired to were the "Ferret," the "Ice-cream Ven- believe. But, gentlemen, before you bedor," or "Organ Grinder," the "Youth," lieve it, will you not ask for demonstraand others to whom reference is made in tion? Will you be content with suspicion, the Diary, if you care to scan its pages, -all however pregnant, or will you be so unreamale friends, all admitted by the husband sonable as to put it to me in this form, that to a greater degree of intimacy with the deceased having died of poison, the the wife than is generally considered allow- theory of the prosecution is the most proable; and the question is why should she | bable? Oh, gentlemen, is that the manner wish to get rid of a husband who gave her in which a jury should treat such a case? every facility for amusing herself with flirta- Is that the kind of proof on which they tions which, in the case of Mr Dickinson at | should convict on a capital offence? all events, were carried somewhat beyond the limits of a passionless liaison. It seems to me, gentlemen, and Lputit to you as reasonable men, that the very last person in this Court by Mrs Hodges. Gentlein the world a woman would wish to poison | men, it is to be regretted that the learned would be the husband who allowed her such | Counsel for the prosecution should have liberty and latitude. It must be borne in I thought it necessary to call Mrs Hodges bemind that a woman never thinks it wrong fore you to tell you of the painful incident for a man to be in love with her, whatever | that occurred in Court during the preopinion of that man her husband may enter- | liminary examination of the accused. tain. And if Mrs. Carew allowed herself | cannot think it was necessary to their case. to give to Mr Dickinson a greater degree of i but, on the other hand, I cannot think it encouragement than was strictly prudent, | will influence your decision in a sense adshe did no more than hundreds of women | verse to the prisoner; in which case it is have done before her; are doing at this very | not entirely to be regretted. What was the

day, and continuing to do from day to day; document she endeavoured to repossess herand will do and continue to do, in spite of | self of? It was a letter which had been what moralists may preach to the contrary. stolen from her, and made use of against hor, But are they to be thought capable, on that | for the purpose of compromising her. When account, of the atrocity charged against the she repossessed herself of it, the real purprisoner? If so, it is a fortunate thing pose of its production was not present to that the number of husbands living in the her mind. She was thinking only of her East who are in the habit of dosing them- own shame. " He who filches from me my selves with arsenic, or other poisons, is com- good name, robs me of that which not paratively small. Now, men are not free onriches him, and makes me poor indeed. from the same species of vanity which I | Until the production of these letters, her Mr Dickinson in which he actually resents to herself alone, and one other, as she the dislike of the man who, in the same | fondly hoped. It was about to be nublishwhose wife he is instigating to obtain a her in the history of this case; to be read divorce from her husband! Then how one day, perhaps, by the children in whose was she to benefit-what advantage was name she had so pathetically appealed, and she to receive, from the death of her hus- appealed in vain to the cruel Mary Jacob. this, gentlemen, is what possibly happened Obviously the answer to that is Jacob from the person to whom it was adthat she had, or took, most perfect freedom | dressed. And here I may remark, incidento do as she pleased. Of course, gentlemen, tally, that all the letters addressed by Mrs you will bear in mind that the ardent word- Carew to Mary Jacob, as well as her own. to the prisoner is his own, -provoked, per- were with reference to these letters blo. When a man is ingratiating himself letter; and was it not natural that act-

exaggeration; but it would be just as reason- construction is the only one to be put upon able to charge that exaggeration to Dickin- it.

Quid levis pluma ?-pulvis. Quid pulvis \"ventus. Quid ventra?-mulier. Quid mulier ?-nihil. Shall I venture to translate it, gentlemen,

for the benefit of those of you who left school before I did? What is lighter than a feather?-dust.

What lighter than dust ?-wind. · What lighter than wind 1-woman. What lighter than woman ?-nothing. amusing herself.

DICKINSON SIMPLY ONE OF A SERIES. portains to the swidence of Mr Mason, the Court by a court product by a support in headwriting, who had given to an experient Deen of Faculty in British I have been a faculty in British I have been an a faculty in British I have been a faculty in British I have be

tionate wife passes all at once into the ap-THE DICKINSON CORRESPONDENCE, -ADMIS- palling wickedness of a Borgia! Such a thing is not possible. There is a certain On this point, Mr Lowder dwelt at great progress in guilt, and it is quite out of all strange desire for removing one who offer-'The very first thing that occurs to one ed no obstruction to her wishes and pur-

THE ATTEMPT TO STEAL A LETTER. Leaving that part of the subject, I will touch on another, it is the evidence given have indicated. You will doubtless remem- name, so far as the public were concerned. ber that passage in one of the letters of was untarnished. Her shame was known breath he says he loathes and despises, and | ed to all the world ; to be recorded against band? Will it be suggested to you that | who had never received anything but kindshe wanted to marry Mr Dickinson ness at her hands, as is shown by the letter. that woman being varium et written to Mrs Carew by E. Jacob, Mary mutabile semper, she desired a change ? Jacob's mother, but kept back by Mary ing of the letters addressed by Dickinson and her brother's visit to that person. haps, to some extent, -but nevertheless for alone. Gentlemen, she tried to rewhich she cannot be held entirely responsi- possess herself of this compromising with a woman, he is apt to use exaggerated ing upon the impulse of the moment sha language, and so far as excrescence goes, it should do so? So far from its being an is not to be charged to her account. Mrs indication of her guilt, of the terrible Carew, it must be evident to you, is not de- | charge that was then and is still hanging ficient in imagination, and is given largely to lover her, I submit to you that the reverse

her moral standard, and, if it come to that, ['Contrast the demeanous during the whole that of her husband also, perhaps the less of the trial with her behaviour when her said the better; I am not here to defend shame was about to be proclaimed. It was either. But in spite of that, and in spite of infinitely more importance, in her eyes. of a passing flirtation with Dickinson, the to shield her honour than to defend her attachment between the spouses seems to life. She was humiliated and ashamed. have been very sincere, and to have re- Had she been conscious of the guilt of mained unbroken. How then, do you ask, murder, that consciousness would I submit. can the Dickinson letters be explained? have overwhelmed and surpassed the less Gentlemen, he would be a bold man who feeling in so great a degree as would undertake to attempt to explain the to have made it impossible for vagaries of either woman or man in con- her, even on the impulse of the nexion with the sexual passion. The Latin moment, to do a thing so obviously calculated to increase, in the minds of the public-as indeed it did—in the minds of the public from whom must eventually be selected the jury who were to be her judges—the suspicion that she was the murderess of her husband. Confronted. gentlemen, with this monstrous charge of murder, she had stood erect, proudly conscious of her innecence. "Her courage has never failed her. You have had the opportunity of regarding her, day by day, in the prisoner's box; and you will have no diffi-The poet thus asks and answers a question | culty in believing me when I say that perto which we perhaps should not have dared | haps there is not a single person in this omto offer a reply. This one thing is evident, munity who has not felt her position, wallsh in the conduct of the spouses towards each | awaiting and whilst undersoing her trial other, and that is there was forbearance, morekeenly than she has felt it. Gentlemen. great forbearance, on both sides. But that you judge of the veracity of a witness as much it never degenerated into indifference, or by his demeanour and bearing as by the want of affection between them, is evident evidence he gives; why should not the by the letters written to him by her from same rule be applied to the prisoner at the Miyanoshita on the 28th and 30th days of bar? Is her demeanour, under trial for September. Why, indeed, should affection her life, when contrasted with her behaviour have died? Each would seem to have in endeavouring to repossess herself of a tolerated in the other the tendencies of letter that had been stolen from her by a which each was self-conscious; and if Mrs pilfering nursery governess, a proof, or Carow wrote or spoke of her husband as even an indication, of a guilty conbullying her, it was merely an exaggerated science? Gentlemen, I am not afraid method of attracting the sympathy of the of the answer you will give to that man with whom she was for the moment question. Gentlemen, you will be relieved to hear that I have nearly finished I what I wished to say to you. I sincerely Mr Lowder reminded the jury that the | thank you for the great patience with which

public, as compared with Saturday. What a series! What advantage would it be to done; but in justice to the cause I am might be termed the regular habitues of the her to get rid of her husband? She was advocating I could not have well said Court persons from China Town and its about to purchase a house, and about to less than I have, There is one thing. purlieus-have begun to lose interest in purchase a position for her husband in a however, to which I should like to call the proceedings, and now the attendance is mercantile firm in Yokohama. Why then your attention before I sit down, and that is Owing to the unfavorable condition of the principally confined to the merchant class kill him? The whole facts seem to be that the cruel conspiracy of silence that was of the community. The accused looked whilst she was obtaining Dickinson's maintained at a time when one word to pale but cheerful when the proceedings sympathy under false pretences, for her either Mr and Mrs Carew might have been (Oriental Steamship Co.) has decided to commenced, but as the day drew on she own temporary amusement, he was in sufficient to clear her of the terrible cuspiwas fain to rest her head wearily against stigating a divorce, as to which she did cion fastened upon her by Mary Jacob and the side of the dock at more frequent inter- not even consult, or ask any advice from, Hisa Christoffel. Before noon on Wednesvals than on the days in the preceding Mr Litchfield, who was then her legal day Mary Jacob has her suspicions aroused ! week. Yet not a word from Counsel or adviser. The conclusion I invite you to she also had a message to deliver to Mra Bench seemed to escape her vigilant attenderaw, gentlemen, is that the Dickinson | Carew, She did not deliver the message: tion. Towards the close of Mr Lowder's letters show no motive for the crime but in the afternoon she communicated her address, when he became most impressive, charged; and that in considering your suspicion to Christoffel. Christoffel. in the prisoner's head sunk almost from view verdict it would be the height of turn, passed it on to Mr Dunlop, by Mr. below the level of the box, and when next injustice to add inadequate metive, or Dunlop it was whispered to Dr Wheeher face was visible her eyes were red with absence of motive, to insufficient fact. ler, by whom it was told to Mr. Hall. Let me again remind you of the letters Dr Wheeler, instead of communicat. THE TWO PILVERING THINVES. written by the prisoner to the deceased, ing it to Mrs. Carew, actually charged In resuming his speech, Mr Lowder and from Miyanoshita, towards the and of her brother to say nothing to her. lysed the evidence relating to the purchases September; I need not resd them now, about it. I ask you, gentlemen, whether of arsenic at the various stores, and then doubtless you bear their terms in mind, that was fair breakment! The avapicion onpassed on to the Annie Luke and the But it will be important for you to re- tertained was so giave, so callous, of such Dickinson letters, referring, en passant, to member them. If I understand the theory import to the parcon suspected, that in the the two pilfering thieves, Jacob and Chris. of the prosecution eright, from the 19th of commonant justice it ought to have been October, the whole observator of the mind a municated to her, in order that, if posand feelings of the prisoner towards ner sible, she might have removed its very inhunkand changed, and sha mersall to ception, by an appeal to one whose mouth had done their best to ruin Mrs Carewa prepare for the party ation of the most was so would to be closed for ever. Genfoul seel, deliberate murder that ever was tlemen, I have done; and I am cheered by committed. Of course one cannot say that this equalderation, that however weak the THE LUNIS DUEN LETTERS. Such a thing is impossible, but I will defence set up may be, a prisoner in the Mr Lowder attached very little im. venture to say that it is highly improbable, position of my client is never really un-

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. THE PENINGULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S

STEAMER JAVA. FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

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in any case whatever. All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ton days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent. Hongkong, February 5, 1897.

RICKMERS REGULAR LINE OF

STEAMERS. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's S.S. Maria Rickmers, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed contained that their Goods are being landed contained that their Goods are being landed despatched for the above at their risk into the Godowns of THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND Ports TO-MORROW, the 7th Instant, at Godown Co., Kowloon, whence delivery Daylight.

may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 12th Inst. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on SATURDAY, the 13th Instant. No Fire Insurance has been effected, and

any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 13th Instant will be subject to rent. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,

Hongkong, February 5, 1897. FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Kriemhild, having arrived from the above Ports, FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, PORT Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Option cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 p.m. TO-DAY, Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hong-KONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN Co., LD., and stored at Consignous' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 9th Inst., will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 9th Inst., at 5 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. SIEMSSEN & Co., Hongkong, February 2, 1897.

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS. FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship Glenartney having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and KOWLOON WHARE AND GODOWN Co., LTD., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be ob-

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Monmouthshire | Saturday | 13th February. Noon To-DAY. Cargo remaining undelivered after the

7th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 14th Instant, otherwise they will not be recognised.

are to be left in the Godowns, where they 13th February. will be examined on the 8th Instant, at | Consular Invoice of Goods for United 11 a.m.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, February 1, 1897.

STEAMSHIP OCEANIEN. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES, NOTICE.

MONSIGNEES of Cargo from London and Havre ox Steamship Ortegal, in connection with above Steamer are hereby Informed that their Goods with exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong AND KOWLOOK Weley and Godowe Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consigness before 2 p.m. SUNDAY, 31st Jan., requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countereigned by

the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after SATUR-BAY, the 6th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before SATURDAY, the 6th Instant, or they will not be recognised. All Damaged Packages will be examined

No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. DE OHAMPEAUX.

on Saturday, the 6th Instant, at 3 p.m.

Hongkong, February 1, 1897.

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Notices to Consignees.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, AND SINGAPORE.

named Vessel are hereby informed FITHE Company's Steamship Pingeney, that their Goods are being landed and I having arrived from the above Ports, placed at their risk in the Honokono AND Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S that their Goods are being landed at their Godowns at Kowleon, where each consign- risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & ment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and Kowloon WHARF & GODOWN Co., Kowloon,

Goods have left the Godowns, and all Ulaims must be sent in to the Office of the Optional Goods will be landed here un- Undersigned before Noon, on the 12th less instructions are given to the contrary Instant, or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the FRIDAY, the 12th

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 12th Instant-will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Hongkong, February 5, 1897.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Co.'s Steamship

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,

General Managers. Hongkong, February 6, 1897. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT. The Co.'s Steamship

Deucalion,

Captain B. Branch, will
be despatched on TUES. The Co.'s Steamship

DAY, the 9th Instant, at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, February 4, 1897. NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. JAPAN-EUROPE LINE,

MONTHLY SERVICE. SAID, MARSEILLES, LONDON,

AND ANTWERP. The Co.'s Chartered S.S. Strathtay,
Captain McKenzie, will
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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. Hongkong, February 4, 1897. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

LIMITED. FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT.) The Co.'s Steamship Kuciyang, Capt. OUTERBRIDGE, will be despatched as above on THURS DAY, the 18th Instant.

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the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Hongkong, January 21, 1897. 156

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Co.'s Steamship Priam.

Captain Jackson, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 13th February. For Freight or passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

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ELIZABETH & CAPE TOWN).

SANDER & Co., Hongkong, February 5, 1897.

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The Co.'s Steamship Captain E. S. Barstow, will be despatched for the Tokio Maru. above Ports on FRIDAY, the 12th Instant, This Steamer is fitted with Superior Passenger Accommodation, and a duly qualified Doctor is carried.

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Kobe, Inland Sea,

Y'homa & Hilalu). Oity of Peking (vis) Shanghai, N'saki, Tursday, March 23, Kobe, Inland Ses at noon. and Yokohama) ...

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at noon.

THE U.S. Mail Steamship PERU will be despatched for SAN FRAN CISCO, 614 SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 13th February, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan the United States, and

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Hongkong, January 26, 1897. Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

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Proposed Sailings from Hongkong. Coptic (via Shanghai,) Nagasaki, Kobe, Tuespay, Feb. 23, Inland Sea and at noon. Yokohama) Gaelio (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, SATURDAY, March 13, Inland Sea, Yokoat noon.

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Carkents, Fabruary 8, 1897.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS. PLYMOUTH AND LONDON. Through Bills of Lading issued for BATA. VIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTIN-

THE Steamship MIRZAPORE, Captain J. F. JEPHSON, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from for BOMBAY, on THURSDAY, the 11th February, 1897, at Noon, taking Passengers

and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

H. A. RITCHIE.

NOTICE, MARITIMES.

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THE DECAY OF FRENCH SHIP-

AND ITS CAUSES. ZSimultaneously with the scheme now being submitted to the French Budget Committee by M. Lockroy for the expenditure of a sum of eight millions sterling on the needs of the French navy, the announcement is made that a Commission is to be constituted with the object of thoroughly investigating the condition of the merchant marine, which is admittedly in a very bad way. Whatever may be thought of the former proposal, the necessity of the latter is sufficiently apparent. During the last ten years French shipping has steadily declin-ed, and from being second on the list, after Great Britain, France has now fallen far behind. She ranks but fourth as regards steam power: England coming first, then Germany, and then Norway. NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE Although fourth also in the number of her INSURANCE COMPANY. sailing vesséls, her sailing tennage is extraordinarily low. Great Britain first again, with 3,267,625 tons; the United States second, with 1,358,487 tons; Norway third, with 1,178,174 tons; Germany fourth, with 566,973 tona; Italy fifth, with 472,000 tons; Russia sixth, with 363,046 tons; Sweden seventh, with 285,615 tons; and finally France, with 252,940 tons, being run pretty close by Greece, with 246,196 tons, and Turkey, with 241,076 tons. It is not to be wondered at that such deplorable state of affairs should seriously slarm all thinking French politicians, and the recent report of M. Charles Roux has at length opened the eyes of his countrymen to the startling decay of their shipping power. The reasons of so disastrous a change from 1886-in ten short years-are not far to seek, and although they appear to be due to numerous and distinct causes, they can nevertheless be plainly traced to the same evil, namely, the exaggerated redtapeism of a bureaucratic Government, which insists upon minding everybody's business except its own, which interferes in every enterprise and industry, prevents genuine competition by exasperating favou-ritism, and seeks to substitute for individual effort an artificial condition of things which strangles the vitality of STEAMSHIPS, MACHINERY and of the country. If independent initiative BOILERS. is not yet dead in France, Ropublican institutions with their farrage of protocols, laws, regulations, and what not, are yearly doing their level best to kill it. To the worship of the Custom House is sacrific-

ed the liberty of the individuals; and this,

in what professes to be the most democratic

of countries! To those who are un-

acquainted with the inner working of the

French mind, it must seem the crassest of

follies to imagine that the trade of a country will be increased by placing hindrances

in the way of foreign importers, and opposing irritating impediments to the free hand-

in the ridiculous regulations in vogue in French ports, and in its inevitable result, the decline of those ports. Look at the great French ports of to-day. The volume of trade in every one of them, save Rouen, is either decreasing or remaining stationary; and if Rouen is not so badly off, it is solely on account of a brisk inland canal traffic. The Meline tariff is slowly killing Marseilles. Havre, instead of encouraging the cotton trade, does all it can to discourage it. Bordeaux, Dunkirk, Brest tell the same tale in elightly varying ways, and still the same policy, 'etouflement'-as Yves Guyot rightly calls it—is maintained. Vexatious port regulations, multitudinous State and municipal taxes, and heavy import dues are steadily driving trade from the French ports, while every year sees the prosperity of Hamburg, Antwerp, and Rotterdam in-crease as that of their French rivals deteriorates. What with navigation taxes, salvage taxes, sanitary taxes, chamber of commerce dues, exorbitant transhipment charges and pilotage expenses, heavy stevedoring rates, and prepositerous brokerage fees, the unfortunate foreign shipowner and importer is glad enough to avoid a French port if he can possibly do so. Under the present regime it costs nearly twice as much to send a steamer, say of 2,000 tons net register, into Havre, Rouen or Bordeaux as it does to despatch the same into Hamburg, Antwerp or Rotterdam. And Frenchmen are chagrined because they cannot keep pace

The dog-in-the-manger policy of extravagant favouritism towards her own sons Or Modern American School and which France has been pursuing for years past has not only the precisely opposite effect to what was intended, by decreasing instead of increasing her general trade; it has another effect, well-nigh as pernicious, that of blunting individual initiative by excessive officiousness, just as individual intelligence becomes blunted by excessive eating. It seeks, by coddling, to stimulate activity, whereas it only succeeds in weaken-ing self-reliance and thereby encouraging national apathy. But the craze for pro-tecting 'home industries' against foreign competition does not end here, it professes to instruct business men how to manage their own affairs. Thus French shipowners trading to the East are not permitted to employ natives on board their steamers, as the P. and O. do, because it is contrary to French law. It is unnecessary to point out the great disadvantages under which-French shipowners labour in consequence. Here is another example. A steamer which has been running between ports at long distances apart—what the French term 'navigation au long cours'—cannot be taken of her run and used in the

with their neighbours!

coasting trade without undergoing a special survey. In other words, the owner could not send his steamer from St. Nazaire to Cette or St. Male without contravening the law, although he might with perfect impunity despatch her from St. Nazaire to Rio. And yet another. At Havre, and, believe, in most French ports, the custom of the ports is that cargo from an incoming steamer can only be discharged at a cor tain rate of so many tons per day, notwithstanding the fact that every facility is at hand to continue or complete the discharge, the captain anxious to have done with it and the consignees enger to take delivery of their goods.

Nous sommes sommis, said an influential French shipowner to me the other day, 'a des reglements qui n'ont pas le sens commun. He will find no one to disagree with him. Until France chooses to realize that the present system is fatuous to a degree, her shipping will continue to decay and the trade of her ports to decline, until they are in much the same state in which Louis XIV, found them upon his accession. At that time wars and official neglect had done the mischief, now it is official interference which is rapidly straining the same end. In 1862 the plant was dying for want of water; in 1896 it is being slowly killed by too copious draughts.

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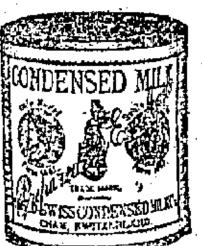
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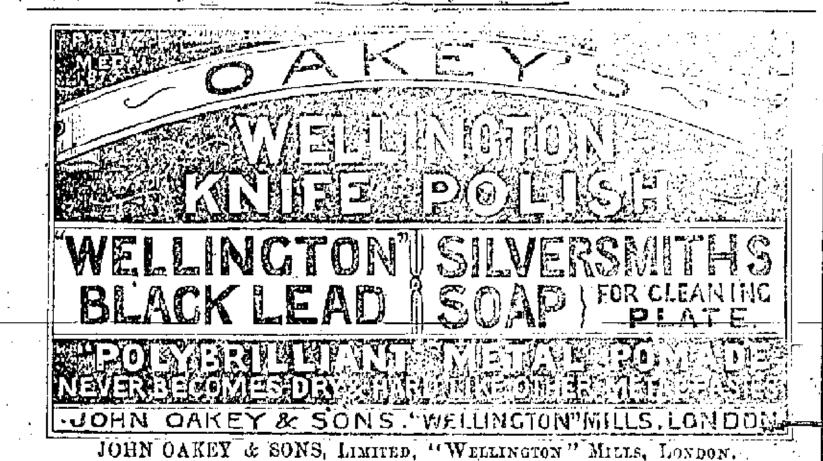
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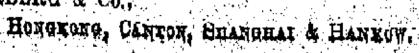


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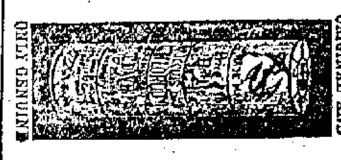
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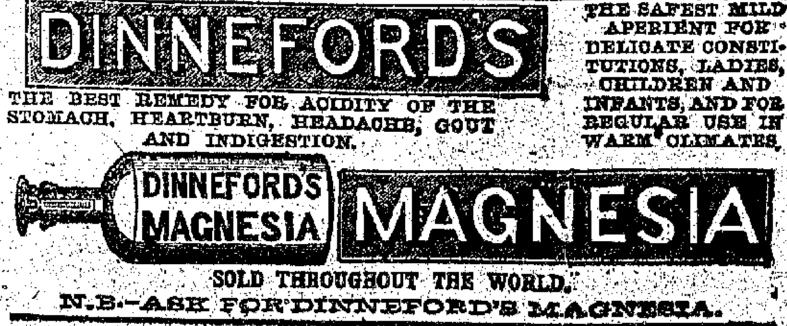


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